

STATE OF ARKANSAS
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
PROCLAMATION

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TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME — GREETINGS:

AN EXECUTIVE ORDER CREATING THE GOVERNOR'S COMMITTEE ON
RESTORATIVE JUSTICE

WHEREAS, President George W. Bush has called for the use of faith-based initiatives in solving what has been traditionally government problems; and

WHEREAS, value-based programs have shown positive effects in reducing the rate of prison recidivism; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that by 2014 the inmate population of the Arkansas Department of Correction will be approximately 20,000; and

WHEREAS, numerous studies have indicated the benefits of restorative justice; and

WHEREAS, there is value to restoring victims' losses as well as punishing offenders;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mike Huckabee, acting under the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Arkansas, do hereby create

THE GOVERNOR'S COMMITTEE ON RESTORATIVE JUSTICE

The Governor's Committee on Restorative Justice shall be made up of five individuals with an interest in Restorative Justice who study the implications of Restorative Justice Programs and their impact upon Arkansas' prison population and report those findings to the Governor by November 5, 2003.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 29th day of January in the year of our Lord, two thousand three.



GOVERNOR MIKE HUCKABEE

SECRETARY OF STATE CHARLIE DANIELS